

**BUS-ting?**  
 Texas A&M's intra-campus shuttle bus system has been revamped in an attempt to help students scramble from the west campus to the east in the 10 minutes between classes. See page 12.  
 A state senator from Houston has introduced a bill to the legislature proposing that a \$5,000 reward be given to anyone supplying information leading to the arrest and conviction of a drug pusher. Local authorities say they don't know how that will affect Bryan-College Station if it passes. See page 5.

## Student senate OKs memorializing bill

By DILLARD STONE  
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 The Texas A&M University student senate's recommendation to memorialize the Memorial Student Center grass passed Wednesday, but not in the fashion that most had expected.  
 The recommendation now goes to the Board of Regents through President Jarvis Miller's office.  
 Rather than debating the issue of memorialization, senators mainly confined their discussion to one of the bill's provisions: financing of the proposed hedge which would surround the University Center grounds.  
 Wayne Morrison, vice president for finance and one of the bill's co-sponsors, told the senate that the hedge would cost between \$20,000-\$25,000.  
 Morrison based his figure on discussions he had with grounds maintenance personnel. Although no senators rose to speak directly against the bill, debate on the use of University funds to plant the hedge was hot and heavy.  
 Morrison said the \$25,000 was an insignificant amount when compared to the \$5 million spent on the recently completed grounds renovation program.  
 "So it's well worth it to our administrators to expend large amounts of money for land improvements," he said.  
 "If we don't have the hedge, it defeats the whole purpose of memorialization," said Fred Bayler, vice president for rules and regulations. He added that conflicts over the grass's use were due mainly to ignorance, not defiance of the tradition.  
 A hedge would be an aesthetically pleasing method of discouraging the grass's use, Bayler said.  
 Other senators weren't so sure, however.  
 "It's a silly expenditure of funds," said Brian Gross, sophomore liberal arts senator.



Keypunchers of a local firm, Agency Records Control, Inc., are handing out leaflets to fellow workers in an attempt to gain support for their attempt to unionize. This employee declined to give her name.

## Resignation saddens Aggies

By STEVE LEE  
 Battalion Staff  
 Tuesday's resignation of Dr. Jack K. Williams as chancellor of the Texas A&M University System was met with reactions of sadness, confusion and speculation from the students and members of the student senate Wednesday.  
 Others had no opinion. Some weren't aware of who Williams is.  
 In an article in Wednesday's Battalion, a former president of the Association of Former Students indicated there may have been a power struggle involved with the chancellor-president system now being ended.  
 Williams resigned as chancellor of the Texas A&M University System Tuesday, said only that the resignation was effective immediately and that he planned to leave a six-month leave, then resume a teaching career. No University officials or students would speculate on his reasons for resigning.  
 Some students said they believed the resignation may have been the result of conflicts within the System's administration.  
 "There perhaps is validity to the rumor that there was a conflict between the office of the president and the office of the chancellor," said Jeb Hensarling, a former student senator and a senior economics major at Texas A&M. Although he said there may have been some conflict, Hensarling isn't aware that the resignation was connected to him and he doesn't know of his plans.  
 "I'm very saddened," Cano said. "It is my opinion that there was friction between Williams and President Miller."  
 Cano said he didn't think the resignation would affect students as strongly as the resignation of Athletic Director Emory Bell last October, but still considered it very emotional.  
 One Texas A&M student interviewed further in his evaluation of the matter. "I think he got ripped-off," said Jim Richardson, a sophomore finance major in Richardson. "I think it was a power struggle between he (Williams) and Jarvis Miller. Once he got kicked out of his office, he knew he was running second best."  
 Williams had lived in the on-campus Georgian home for eight years until Miller moved into the house last semester.  
 Brian Gross, a liberal arts senator and a sophomore economics major from Pecos, said he thought that Williams was "put out with his job. He may have even been bored."  
 "My biggest thought was that it (the resignation) wasn't explained," said Paul Bettencourt, a senator and a junior chemical engineering and management major from Houston. "I thought it would be explained. He (Williams) should come out and explain it. It makes it appear that there is something going on."  
 "I'm kind of confused," said Laura Brockman, speaker pro-tem of the senate and a senior political science major from San Antonio.  
 Both Brockman and Gross said they believe the University has advanced during Williams's tenure.  
 "We're losing a very responsive man, but I feel we can carry on from here," Brockman said. She said she plans to propose a senate resolution to recognize Williams for "his dedication to the University."  
 Williams, contacted Wednesday afternoon, said he had no further comment to make about his resignation. He didn't say when he planned to take his leave of absence, but indicated he had work to do first.  
 Clyde Wells, chairman of the Board of Regents who was named acting chancellor Tuesday, said he had no further plans for a search committee to recommend a new chancellor. Wells said Williams hadn't contacted him and he doesn't know of his plans.  
 Robert Smith, president of the Association of Former Students, said Wednesday that generally, the alumni feel grateful to Williams.  
 "They certainly regret his resignation," Smith said.  
 Richard "Buck" Weirus, executive director of the Association of Former Students, said he had more calls from alumni Wednesday asking why Williams left but said news of the chancellor's resignation is not generally known throughout the organization because some state newspapers didn't carry the story.

## Local firm's keypunchers attempting unionization

By REGINA MOEHLMAN  
 Battalion Reporter  
 Thirty keypunch operators at Agency Records Control, Inc. were again passing out leaflets Wednesday to gain support for an attempt to unionize.  
 Last week an equal number of ARC employees passed out union leaflets in front of the company premises at the East Bypass.  
 One hundred and three keypunch operators have already signed membership applications to the union. The other employees favor the drive to unionize, the operators say, though they won't support it openly.  
 Those employees feel threatened by the ARC management, the keypunch operators say.  
 "A lot of people are scared. They have gotten to them," an operator said. But she added that "we have a right to be here. I think we have a good chance to win."  
 ARC has about 150 keypunch operators and about 250 employees in all, the operators said.  
 Employees said they are judged for efficiency each month and the rating they receive determines their next month's salary.  
 "Once unionized, the employees hope to gain a fairer and more consistent wage system. Employees complain that, under the current percentage system, their pay goes up and down each month."  
 "They feel like they have to pay us on this percentage so they won't lose money," an employee said. Employees are asking for set wages.  
 "Frankly, we know of no fair way to compensate employees than to pay them on a productivity basis," Dr. Robert Bower, president of ARC, said in a press release last Friday.  
 "In general, we have found that the only people who do not like a production incentive system are those individuals who are lacking in ability and/or motivation, and who do not like to be paid on the basis of their individual effort or productivity," Bower said.  
 "Our key entry employees earn from \$2.90 per hour as trainees to over \$5 per hour as qualified and experienced operators. Our top key entry employee earns \$5.41 per hour," he said.

## Scalpers have field-day

By JEAN LONGSERRE  
 Battalion Reporter  
 When the rock group Boston walks on stage in G. Rollie White Coliseum on Sunday, Feb. 11, a full house of 8,400 Aggies will be there to greet it.  
 "This is the biggest show we have ever done," said Brooks Herring, Town Hall chairman. "Tickets were sold out by 3:30 Monday afternoon." The first and last day of ticket sales was Monday, Jan. 22.  
 James Randolph, Town Hall sponsor and booking agent, said negotiations to book the Boston concert began in early November. "There were around 60 days of negotiations before they (Boston) said yes," Randolph said. The "yes" came on Jan. 5.  
 "Booking a show is not just picking up the phone and saying 'Hey, we want you to come to A&M,'" Randolph said. "Negotiations have to be made."  
 Herring explained that Town Hall tried booking other groups such as Kansas and Heart, but was unsuccessful.  
 "We thought we had a date on Foreigner, but we found out they were going out of the country," Herring said. "With the Boston concert we just got lucky." He added that Town Hall had unsuccessfully tried booking Boston last year.  
 "Expenses for this show are so phenomenal," said Randolph. "Our production costs are going to run about \$25,000."  
 Production costs include lighting, stage work, crew and show preparations such as signs, ropes and food for crew members. "We serve at least one meal every show," Herring said.  
 Randolph said that a group the size of Boston usually receives about \$45,000 per show, but added that the University is getting a "special rate."  
 "Town Hall won't make any money off the show so to speak," Randolph said. "We might make \$2,000, but that's all."  
 Randolph said Town Hall's main purpose is not to make money, but to "bring top-notch entertainment at the lowest possible price" to the University.  
 He added that universities often have trouble booking dates because of lack of promotion and financing.  
 "Concert business is big business," Randolph said. "The Town Hall people will begin working on the show Saturday and end around 1 a.m. Monday." Equip-

## 'Boston' is sold out

ment for the show will arrive Saturday and stage preparations will begin then.  
 Randolph said the concert would include "some sort of light show." He explained there would be less light equipment used than in the Austin or Houston concerts due to lack of room in G. Rollie White.  
 Randolph also said that the security for the Boston concert would be tight to assure no illegal admittance backstage.

## Lawmaker in Oklahoma likes 65 mph

United Press International  
 OKLAHOMA CITY — A lawmaker said Wednesday he was preparing to introduce a bill increasing the speed limit to 65 mph on certain highways in defiance of the federally mandated 55 mph limit.  
 Rep. Jim Townsend, D-Shawnee, said the Wyoming Senate's vote to raise the legal speed limit from 55 mph to 65 mph encouraged him to work on the proposal.  
 "I support Wyoming in their courageous move to come to grips with federal blackmail," Townsend said.  
 The federal government has tied federal highway money to enforcement of the 55 mph speed limit. Last week Oklahoma Transportation Commissioner R.A. Ward warned Oklahoma could lose \$72 million in federal highway funds if it did not meet the compliance schedule.  
 Townsend said Oklahoma law now says the speed limit will go to 65 mph when 29 other states pass the higher speed limit. He said his bill would strike the provision that 29 other states will have to raise the speed limit first.  
 Townsend said the U.S. Constitution prohibited the federal government from withholding appropriations to affect states' actions.  
 "They cannot buy power through appropriations," he said.  
 Oklahoma Safety Council executive director Bob Eastman gave a qualified endorsement of the higher limit.  
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## Connally announces he's a candidate

United Press International  
 WASHINGTON — Former Texas Gov. John Connally, saying the nation is suffering from a crisis in leadership, Wednesday announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for president in 1980.  
 "I'm getting tired of being nothing more than a spectator," said the former Democrat who served as Richard Nixon's treasury secretary. "I am today (Wednesday) announcing my candidacy for the Republican nomination for president of the United States."  
 Connally, who switched to the GOP in 1973 and was found innocent of bribery charges in the Watergate scandal, joins a crowded field of Republican candidates battling actively for the nomination more than a year before the first primary in New Hampshire.  
 The 61-year-old Texan is expected to enter as many of the 1980 primaries as is practical and will spend most of this year campaigning flat out for the nomination, unhampered by the duties of public office.  
 At a luncheon speech at the National Press Club, Connally launched his campaign with a

serious as the American Revolution, the Civil War and the Great Depression.  
 "It is a crisis more subtle than the previous three and to pull us through these gloomy hours, we need someone in charge who knows what he is doing and why," he said. Connally said the nation needs a president who deals toughly with the Soviet Union.  
 "In recent years, the Soviet Union has embarked upon an intensified policy of expansionism which threatens peace," he said.  
 "I believe it is time for a strong president to make it clear that this policy is not acceptable," he said.  
 "It is imperative that no arms control agreement with the Soviet Union freezes the United States into an inferior position," Connally said, apparently referring to the almost completed strategic arms negotiations. "That would increase not only the danger of war but also the danger of defeat without war."  
 Connally's early entry was triggered in part by a desire to block fellow conservative Ronald Reagan from locking up the nomination before the primary season really gets under way.

## McGovern calls Connally double-talking politician

United Press International  
 WASHINGTON — John Connally's decision to join the crowded field of Republican candidates for president drew a blistering reaction Wednesday from Sen. George McGovern, D-S.D., the 1972 Democratic presidential nominee.  
 "I wouldn't trust Connally within a mile of the White House," McGovern said. Connally's luncheon speech announcing his candidacy was actually about two blocks away.  
 Connally, the former Democratic governor of Texas who switched parties in 1973 and was found innocent of bribery charges in the Watergate scandal, "combines the worst of both Watergate and Vietnam," McGovern said.  
 "He's the perfect symbol of the double-talking, double-crossing politician. He doesn't even know what party he belongs to."  
 In 1972, when he was running the Democrats for Nixon operation, he did more to cover up Nixon's faults and exaggerate mine than any other man in America, McGovern said.  
 "The fact that Connally never went to jail along with the rest of the Watergate gang is positive proof that Ed Williams (Connally's lawyer) is the best criminal lawyer in the country."

said. "We are a nation becoming lethargic from problems before which Washington seems helpless."  
 He said the nation was going through its fourth great crisis, one as